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Groundwater Advisory Committee

January 9, 2014

Conference Room C

7:00 p.m.

Present: Diane Guldner –Conservation Commission; Bill Pantazis - Board of Selectmen; and George Pember – Planning Board

Absent: Bryant Firmin –Water and Sewer Commission and Deidre O’Connor– Board of Health

Also Present: Fred Litchfield – Town Engineer; Eileen Dawson – Recording Secretary; Jane Gannon – Coram Healthcare Corporation; Jon N. Bonsall – Keegan Werlin; and Rodney Bias and Derek Haley – McKesson Medical-Surgical.

Groundwater Advisory members began discussion at 7:00 p.m.

Review and Approve minutes of November 12 and 20, 2013

Groundwater Advisory members discussed the minutes and wording changes on the November 20th minutes on page two to include: “magnesium chloride *or equivalent* to be applied on paved areas”.

Mrs. Guldner motioned, Mr. Pember seconded, and it was unanimously voted, “To approve the amended minutes of November 12 and November 20, 2013.”

7:04pm To consider the request of Coram Healthcare Corporation of Massachusetts for a Special Permit for the property at 367 West Main Street which is located within Groundwater Area 2. The application seeks to operate an infusion therapy pharmacy at the above referenced location.

Applicant: Coram Healthcare Corporation
Representative: Jane Gannon

Ms. Gannon, representative for applicant, explained the property including: using pre-existing building, remodeling the inside of building, storing and administering intravenous medication, pre-packaged medication filled glass jars and plastic bags, using selenium 5-gallon container (approximate it will take 1 ½ years to fill), storing and using epinephrine (nationally considered hazardous material, not in MA, but handled with the national regulations). Ms. Gannon explained the EPA regulations, p-listed waste, sharps containers for needles, sterile room - sterile attire used from head to toe, employees’ training

in hazardous waste handling, fire department reviewal, and building inspector's review. Mr. Litchfield suggested that Ms. Gannon discuss any additional parking that may be needed with the Building Inspector.

Groundwater Advisory members asked about security; Ms. Gannon explained the double security alarm that exists for the pharmacy, office space, and small lab. Groundwater members asked about the floor sealer; Ms. Gannon explained that a 4-gallon container may be in the facility at times but not stored on-site. Mr. Litchfield explained that the floor sealer would need to be added to the list of materials on-site and stored in a flame retarded cabinet.

Groundwater Advisory members unanimously agreed that Mr. Litchfield would write a letter on their behalf to the ZBA recommending a Special Permit be issued for Coram Healthcare Corporation of Massachusetts for the property at 367 West Main Street, located within Groundwater Area 2, to operate an infusion therapy pharmacy.

7:16 p.m. To consider the request of McKesson Medical-Surgical for a Special Permit for the property at 55 Lyman Street that is located within Groundwater Area 1. The application seeks to expand the current operation at the above referenced location to include the storage and distribution of some materials that contain hazardous ingredients.

Applicant: McKesson Medical-Surgical
Representative: Rodney Bias, Derek Haley and Jon N. Bonsall

Mr. Bonsall, representative for the applicant, gave a presentation of the 25 liquids, briefs, gloves, isopropyl alcohol, aspirin, adhesive remover, band aids, and other materials that would be stored in the existing facility and the expanded storage space in the facility. Mr. Haley and Mr. Bias discussed the distribution of products to doctors' offices, pediatric facilities, and nursing homes. Mr. Bonsall explained the containment tray and racking system for materials such as the isopropyl alcohol in the event of a spill. Mr. Litchfield asked for details on the volume of material and containment trays.

Groundwater Advisory members asked questions about the outside of the building; Mr. Bonsall explained that they would be using the existing area and vacant area (no changes to the outside of the building).

Groundwater Advisory members unanimously agreed that Mr. Litchfield would write a letter on their behalf to the ZBA recommending a Special Permit be issued for McKesson Medical-Surgical for the property at 55 Lyman Street, located within Groundwater Area 1, for the purpose of expanding the current operation to include the storage and distribution of some materials that contain hazardous ingredients.

Old/New Business:

Discuss next meeting date February 11, 2014; Groundwater Advisory members agreed to meet on February 11th if needed.

Adjourn:

Groundwater members agreed to end the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Eileen Dawson
Recording Secretary